

# **ARBITRATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM**

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# 2004 ANNUAL CONSUMER SATISFACTION SURVEY

#### **OVERVIEW**

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code §472.4 and Title 16, California Code of Regulations §3399.5(a)(5), the Arbitration Certification Program (ACP) conducts an annual survey to measure consumer satisfaction with the arbitration <u>process</u>. Please note that the 2004 survey results will be posted in the late Spring. The survey neither intends to include, <u>nor does it include</u>, the satisfaction of the many consumers who have had problems satisfied through their early contact with dealers, manufacturers' customer service representatives, or other mediation efforts.

ACP also uses the survey as a monitoring mechanism to ensure that certified arbitration programs comply with state and federal requirements. ACP discusses the survey findings with each certified arbitration program and requests corrections to the process when necessary.

ACP surveyed consumers who utilized state-certified arbitration programs to resolve warranty disputes <u>after</u> they have received notification of the arbitrator's decisions. ACP mailed questionnaires to 2,738 consumers and received a 28% response rate.

Consumer responses to the survey were sorted according to state-certified arbitration program as follows:

ARBITRATION PROGRAM	Surveys Mailed	Respondents	Percentage
BBB AUTO LINE (BBB)  AM General (Hummer), BMW, General Motors, Honda/Acura, Hyundai, Isuzu, Nissan/Infiniti, Porsche, Range Rover/Land Rover, Bentley, Saab, Saturn and Volkswagen/Audi, Workhorse	1,094	254	23%
California Dispute Settlement Board (CDSP) Toyota (Toyota, Scion)	385	98	25%
Customer Arbitration Board (CAB) DaimlerChrysler Corporation (Chrysler, Dodge, Eagle, Jeep, Plymouth)	8	0	0%
Dispute Settlement Board (DSB) Ford Motor Company (Ford, Lincoln, Mercury)	1,251	418	33%

### **RESULTS**

The results of ACP's 2004 Consumer Satisfaction Survey are listed on the following pages. Each survey question is listed along with consumer responses. The percentage of yes and no responses to each question is included to facilitate comparisons of the results.

## RECEIVED NOTIFICATION OF THEIR DECISIONS

Question 1: How did you learn about the state-certified program?









































































































































